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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Response along with a Request for Continued Examination in reply to the Office action dated 05 May 2008. A three-month period was set for response. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of the period for reply and authorize the Director to deduct the requisite fee from Deposit Account No. 19-2570. Accordingly, this amendment and response is timely filed on or before 05 November 2008. Applicants hereby authorize the Director to any other fees required in association with submission of this amendment and response from Deposit Account No. 19-2570.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6.